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The tiger

1. Where does the Tiger live?

Tigers live in the continent of Asia in India, Burma, Russia, China, Laos, Thailand, and Indonesia. They live in tropical rain forests; they live near water where there is a lot of prey.



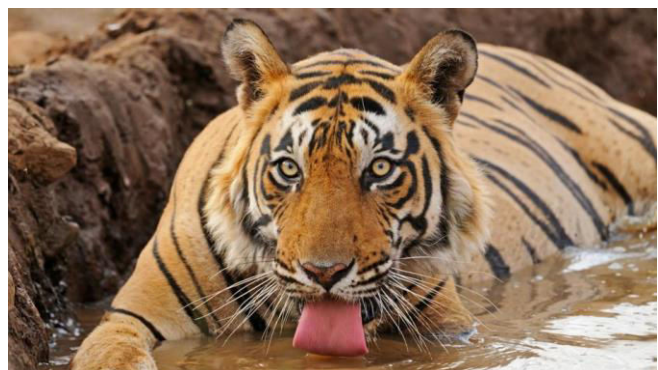
How is the tiger's habitat being damaged?

Tigers' habitats are being damaged because people cut down trees and kill others animals for food or fur. These people cut trees because they use the wood to build houses. Also, they cut forests (deforestation) to have land for farming and to develop towns and villages.

POPULATION: Around 3,890 wild tigers roam forests and savannas today.

There are about 10,000 tigers in captivity all over the world.

In China, approximately 4,500 tigers of different species are living in captivity.



DIET: Tigers have big muscles, and they can bring down medium and large-sized animals like gaur, chital, deer, sambar, nilgai, barasingha, wild boars, water buffaloes, domestic buffaloes, and other animals. They are carnivores because they mostly eat meat.



How do they look?

Tigers have white, black and orange fur, 4 legs, 1 tail, 2 ears, 1 nose, and 2 eyes. They have large whiskers and they are the largest cat in the world. Their black stripes help them camouflage and hide from prey. Some tigers can be albino tigers, and these have white fur with brown stripes. They also have blue eyes.

Figure 1 albino tiger



How do they

interact between them or with other animals?

Tigers may live alone but this does not mean that they do not have any contact with other tigers. Tigers get together to communicate using sounds and scents, and sometimes they help each other hunt.

Sometimes they compete with other predators such as leopards, brown bears, wolves and wild dogs.

What is special about them?

Tigers are the largest wild cats in the world, adults can weigh up to 363KG and they measure up to 3.3m. Tigers are carnivores eating only meat. Tigers are solitary hunters and generally search for food alone at night (they are nocturnal).

Why are tigers endangered?

Tigers are endangered because poachers hunt and exploit them and they damage their habitats and they take away their food. And they kill them for their meat and for their skin to sell it.

Another reason is that men destroy the natural habitat of the tiger. People cut down trees and destroy forests to make houses and farms.



Why should we save the tigers?

For us, we have to save tigers because if we don't save them we have to see them in a museum but not with their fur: with their bones. Another reason is that if we make them extinct by poaching the other animals they eat in the food chain they wouldn't have anything to eat and they would become extinct, too. And because of their fur to sell it. It is also cruel to hurt animals. They are beautiful. And the environment and the food chain depend on them.

1. There are as few as 3,500 tigers left in the wild, we have to act now or this animal could be extinct in less than 20 years
2. As apex predators, tigers shape the ecosystems in which they live.
3. They prevent over-grazing by limiting herbivore numbers and maintain ecological integrity.

Famous tiger character

Tigger is a tiger character in A. A. Milne's book *The House at Pooh Corner*. Tigger is based on one of Christopher Robin Milne's stuffed toy animals. Tigger is in the Disney cartoon of *Winnie the Pooh* and he has his own film, too.

He has orange and black stripes, large eyes, a long chin, a springy tail, and he loves to bounce on his tail. Tigger never refers to himself as a tiger, but as a "Tigger". He was invented in *Like Winnie the Pooh*, Tigger was created by A. A. Milne in the early 1920s and first appeared in the 1926 novel.

He is a good animal.



STORY

Once upon a time there was a Tiger and his name was Ares. He always went to the rainforest to hunt other animals to eat. When he came back to his house he remembered his mother.

Because she had died when he was a baby, because hunters killed her. All of a sudden he wanted revenge.

One day when he was coming back from the rainforest, he saw the hunter that had killed his mother. So he went back home to make the plan to kill the hunter, just like the hunter killed his mom.

Two days after, he went to the rainforest to do the deed. His plan was to pounce and attack him from behind and eat his head right off.

When he saw the hunter he became nervous. First he told the hunter "Where is my mum? The hunter says seriously "I killed her." So the tiger starts to fight, rips off his head, and the hunter died. Two days after Ares went to the jungle to search for food. He didn't eat for 1 week, suddenly he saw an injured tiger on the ground. This tiger reminded him of his mom. So he wanted to revive her. Ares took this tiger to his house. And he tried to revive her. He sleeps thinking about it, he closes his eyes and next morning she started to talk and wake up. And Ares found out that it was his mum, and he and his mum were happy for the rest of thier life.

QUIZ

1.Where does the tiger live?

- a. China b. Indonesia
- c. Thailand d. All of them

2.How many tigers lives in the wild?

- a. 4890 b. 2940
- c. 3890 d. 6000

3.Why are tigers endangered?

- a. Desforestation b. Poaching
- c. Polution d. All of them

4.What do tigers eat?

- a. Meat b. Plants
- c. Plants and meat d. All of them

5.How much do tigers generally weigh?

- a. 453 KG b. 363 KG
- c. 295 KG d. 356 KG